



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 392

By Representatives Larry Miller, Camper, Richardson, Coley, Towns, Cooper, Johnnie Turner, Hardaway, Parkinson, Kernell, Lollar, Todd, White, McManus, Lois DeBerry

and

Senators Kyle, Marrero, Ford

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend James H. Johnson, Jr., for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those Tennessee citizens, who through their extraordinary professional and personal efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, James H. Johnson, Jr., is one such commendable gentleman who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Mitchell High School, Mr. Johnson earned his associate's degree in Business Management from Southwest Tennessee Community College and completed over 110 hours of coursework in the field of electronics; and

WHEREAS, James Johnson began his exemplary tenure with the Shelby County Election Commission in 1972 as a voting machine technician; and

WHEREAS, his tireless efforts and unsurpassed integrity did not go unnoticed, and this remarkable public servant was soon promoted to Assistant Manager of Operations and then Chief Deputy Administrator; and

WHEREAS, from 2002 until 2009, Mr. Johnson served with acumen and alacrity as the Administrator of Elections for the Shelby County Election Commission, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike due to the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, having proven himself to be a thoughtful and dedicated leader, Mr. Johnson was appointed to the distinguished post of Election Commissioner on December 10, 2009, where he continues work assiduously to ensure that the will of people is always respected; and

WHEREAS, James Johnson has also rendered faithful, selfless, and effective pastoral leadership to several congregations and contributed his time and tremendous talents as a deacon and church treasurer; and

WHEREAS, James Johnson's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work, common sense, and uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, James Johnson is most grateful for the love and support he shares with his wife, Linda, and their two children, Jacques and Jasmine; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend James H. Johnson, Jr., for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success.

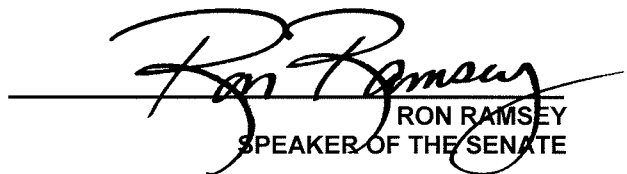
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: MAY 12, 2011

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24th day of May 2011

A cursive signature of Bill Haslam, written in black ink, positioned above a horizontal line.
BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR